# Energy Efficient Buildings for High Tech Industries - An Integrated R&D and Market Transformation Program

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# What Is The Applications Team? Diverse Group from LBNL

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# Why The High-Tech Buildings Sector?

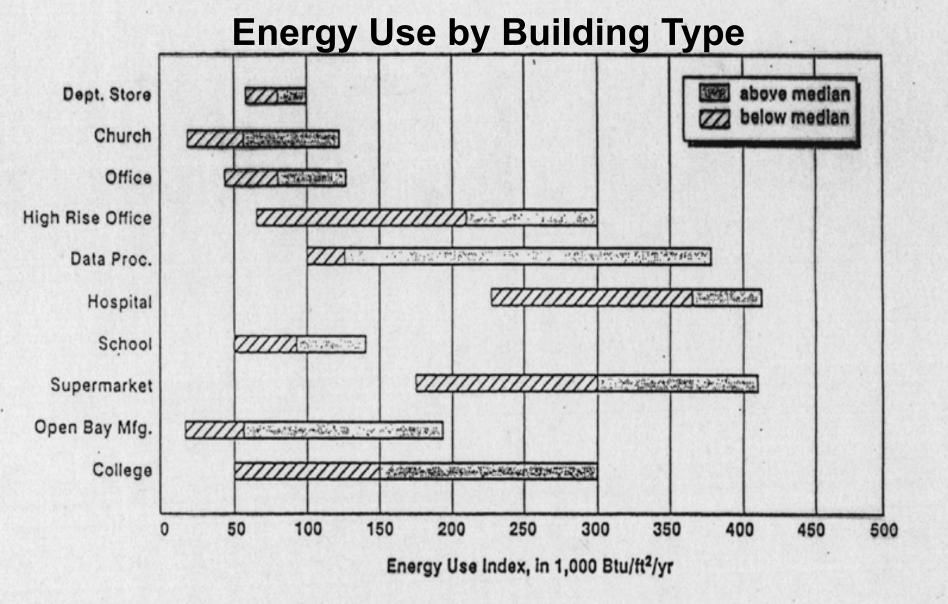
Laboratories, cleanrooms, and data centers ...serve industries of the future

**Unique environmental needs** 

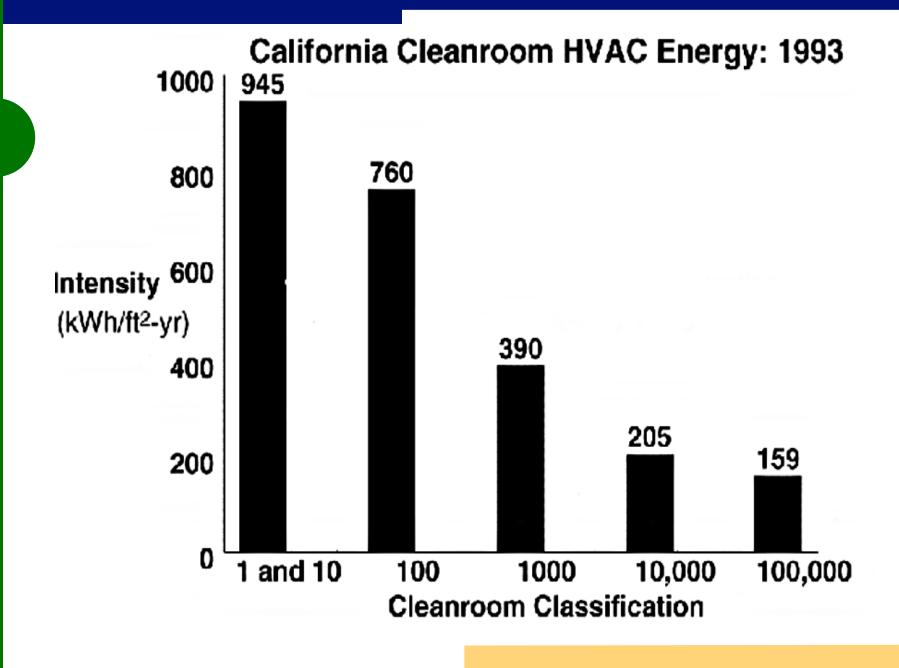
...very energy intensive

Significant efficiency improvement opportunities ...1 billion therms/year, 40 billion kWh/year, 10 GW

...new construction: 2 therms/sf, 90 kWh/sf, 20 W/SF



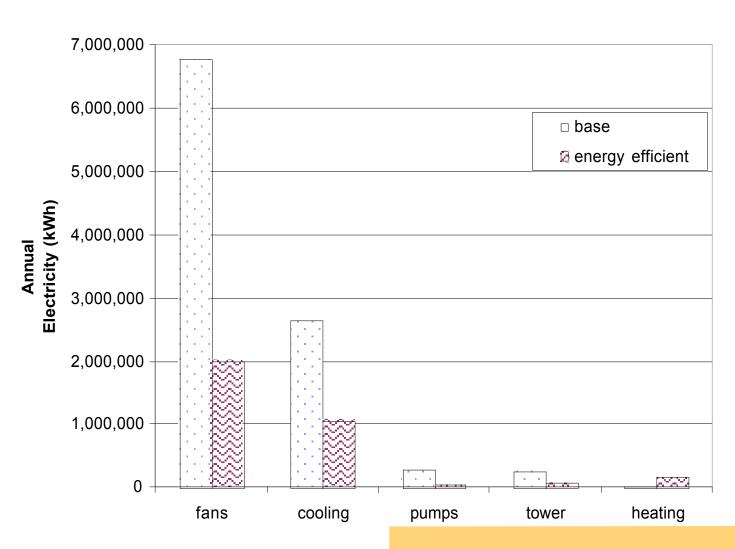
Source: Washington State Energy Office, Olympia, WA



# **States with the Largest Number of Cleanrooms**

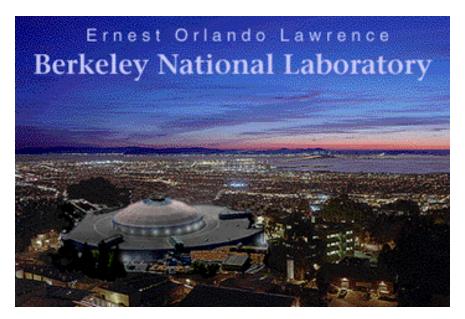
- California
- New York
- Texas
- Ohio
- Illinois

# Opportunities are Significant Cleanroom End-Use Energy Breakdowns



# Opportunities Are Real LBNL Example:

- 40% reduction in energy use per square foot from 1985 baseline
- \$4 million/year more research based on 1985 energy prices
- Improved worker productivity
- Safer environment
- Improved reliability



# LBNL Leads an Integrated R&D and Market Transformation Initiative

High-Tech Buildings Initiative Sponsors:

- Pacific Gas & Electric Co.
- San Diego Gas and Electric Co.
- California Institute for Energy Efficiency
- California Energy Commission
- Montana State University
- Department of Energy (BTS and FEMP)
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance
- New York State Energy Research & Development Authority
- Private Industry (Organizations and Companies)

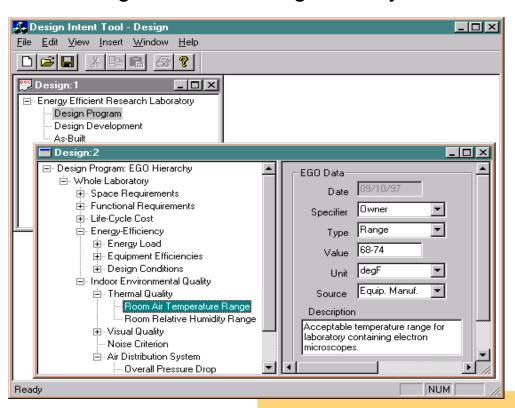
# **Representative Initiatives**

- Information Technology Design Intent Tool
- Benchmarking Protocols and Tools
- High Performance Fume Hood
- Labs for the 21st Century Tool Kit

# Information Technology: Design Intent Documentation Tool

#### **Objective:**

Capture design intent information & performance expectations for use throughout the building's life-cycle.

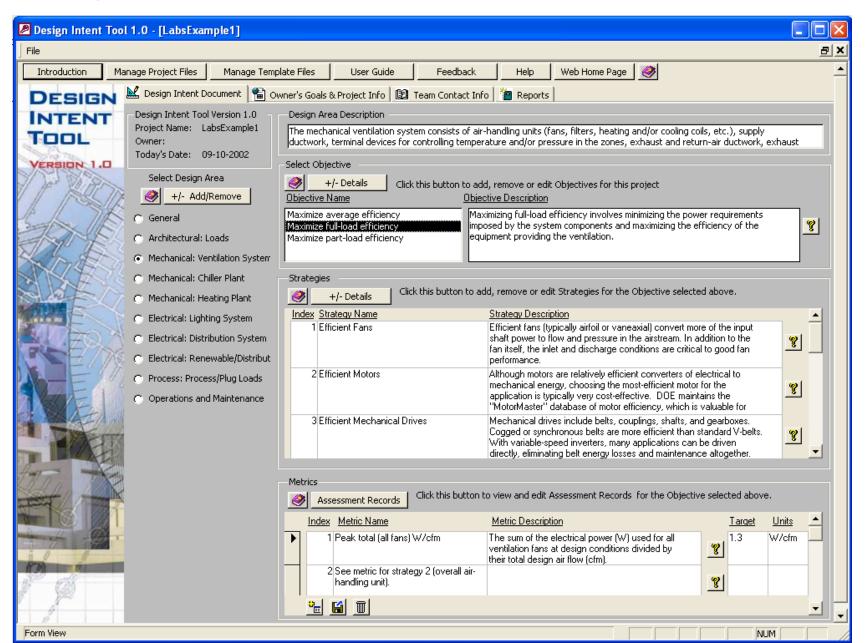


# Design Intent Documentation Feeds into Building Life-Cycle Information System

**BLISS Performance Tracking:** 



# **Design Intent Tool**



# **Design Intent Tool Status**

- Beta version completed
- 450 Copies distributed in October
- Available on CD or downloadable from web

# **Next Steps**

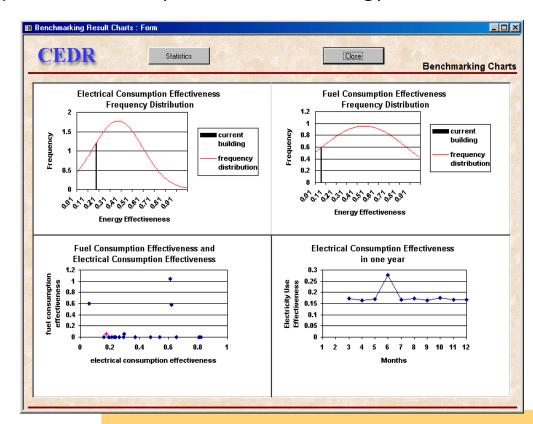
- Transfer to market (transformation)
- Testing and enhancements
- Training
- New templates for other building types

# **Benchmarking Protocol and Tools**

#### **Objective:**

Provide feedback to designers and operators of actual building loads and performance (reduce oversizing)

- Performance Metrics
- Database
- Feedback Mechanisms



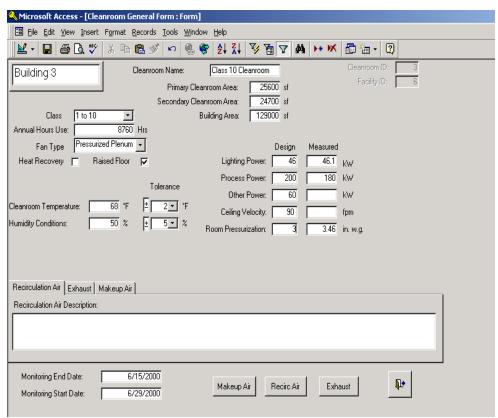


### **Laboratory Energy Performance Metrics**

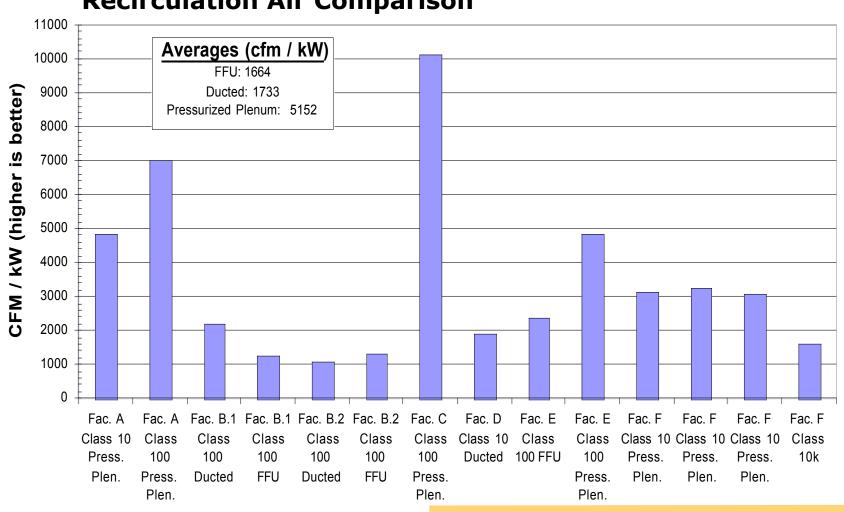
System	Annual EU Index	Other Key Metrics
Ventilation	kWh/sq.ft.	Peak total (all fans) W/cfm Average total cfm/peak cfm Peak lab-only exhaust cfm/nsf
Cooling Plant	kWh/sq.ft.	Peak W/sq.ft. Average kW/ton Peak tons/sq.ft.
Lighting	kWh/sq.ft.	Peak W/sq.ft.
Process/Plug	kWh/sq.ft.	Peak W/sq.ft.
Heating Plant	BTU/sq.ft.	
Total	kWh/sq.ft. (total electric) BTU/sq.ft. (combined gas and electric)	Annual peak W/sq.ft. Annual \$/sq.ft. energy cost
Energy Effectiveness		100 x Idealized BTU/actual BTU

# Benchmarking Can Help Establish Efficiency Goals

- Energy Budget
  - Total facility
  - End use
- Efficiency Targets for key systems/components
  - Cfm/KW
  - KW/ton
  - Pressure drop

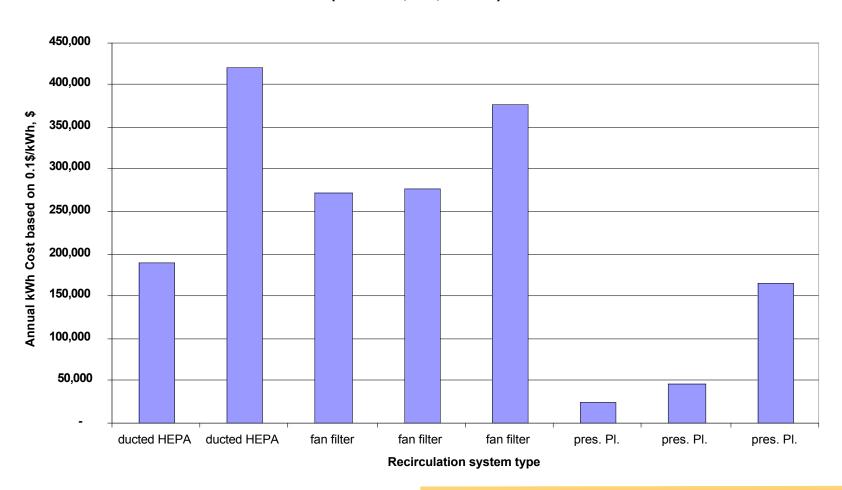


#### **Recirculation Air Comparison**

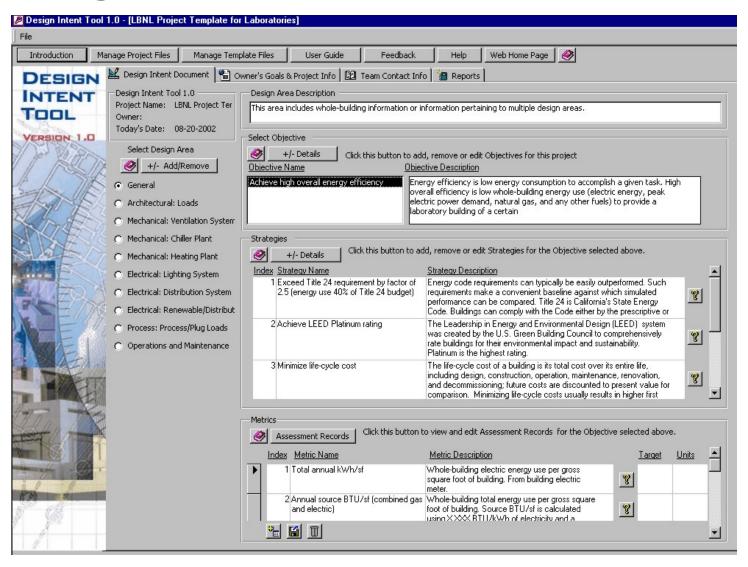


# What is the cost impact?

Annual energy costs - recirculation fans (Class 5, 20,000ft2)



# **Design Intent Document**



# **Benchmarking Status**

- Metrics identified and tested
- First generation databases developed
- Small sample sizes yielding valuable information

# **Next Steps**

- Increase sample sizes
- Refine reporting
- Automate web based benchmarking tool(s)
- Develop model based benchmarking (EER)

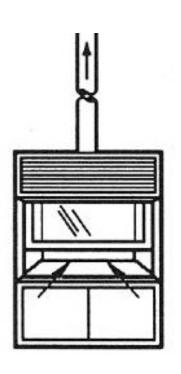
Fume Hood Containment - High Performance Hoods

#### **Objective:**

Reduce fume hood air flow requirements at least 50%



# **Standard Fume Hood Designs**



Exhaust system induces airflow through hood.

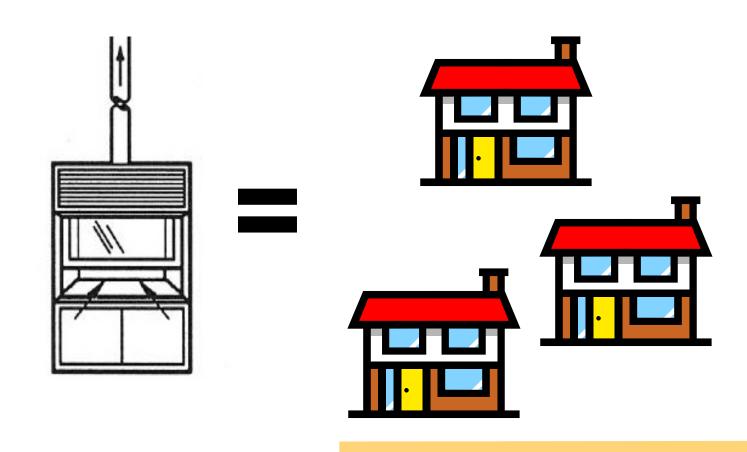
Airflow through hood's open sash is ~100 FPM

Supply air must "make up" combined hood exhaust

Consequently, large air volumes are conditioned and expelled from laboratories 24/7

Fume hoods typically "drive" system sizing

# **Fume Hood Energy Consumption**



# Air Divider Technique

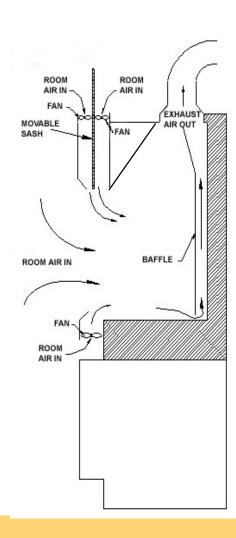
(Sectional view)

**Low-turbulence Intensity** 

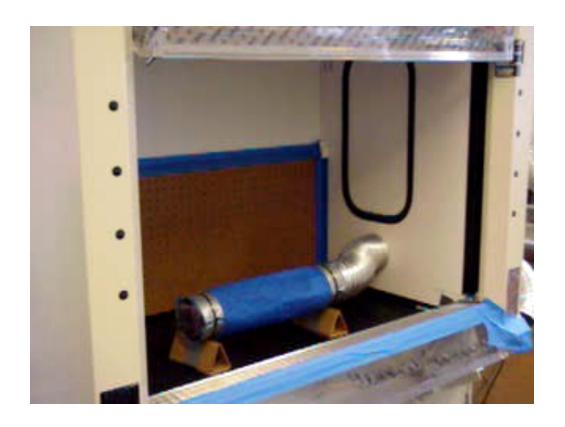
**Displacement ventilation** 

**Push-Pull Containment** 

U.S. Patent# 6,089,970



# **Smoke containment...**



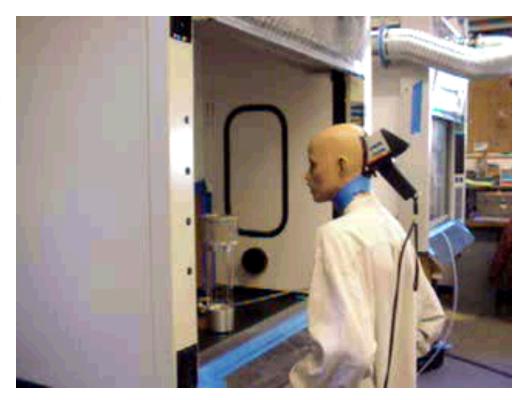
Smoke visualization test at 30% "normal" flow

# **Smoke in Supply Plenums...**

Exhaust: 40% "normal" flow

Ejector: 8L/min.

Breathing Zone: 18 inches



# Montana State University



Fisher-Hamilton alpha prototype Berkeley Hood.

Adapted standard Fisher-Hamilton hood
Installed Berkeley hood September 2000
Berkeley hood tested per ASHRAE 110
Passed standard ASHRAE 110 tests per ANSI Z9.5 recommendations

# University of California, San Francisco



Researcher working at Berkeley hood.

Adapted standard Labconco hood
Installed Berkeley hood November 2000
Berkeley hood tested per ASHRAE 110
Passed standard ASHRAE 110 tests per ANSI
Z9.5 recommendations

# San Diego State University



Berkeley hood in testing and ready for shipping.

**Adapted standard Labconco hood** 

**Extensively tested hood per ASHRAE 110** 

Passed standard ASHRAE 110 tests per ANSI Z9.5 recommendations

Performed advanced challenges including cross drafts

Evaluated experimental tracer gas devices

Three experts and inventor contributed

### LBNL supported by the following organizations:



# California Energy Commission



Department of Energy

Local, Islandy and Energy Proceeding 10 to 21 to Controll

U.S. Department of Energy

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Montana State University



Pacific Gas and Electric



California Institute for Energy Efficiency

# **High Performance Fume Hood Status**

- Patents issued
- Partnering with hood and control manufacturers
- Field tests underway

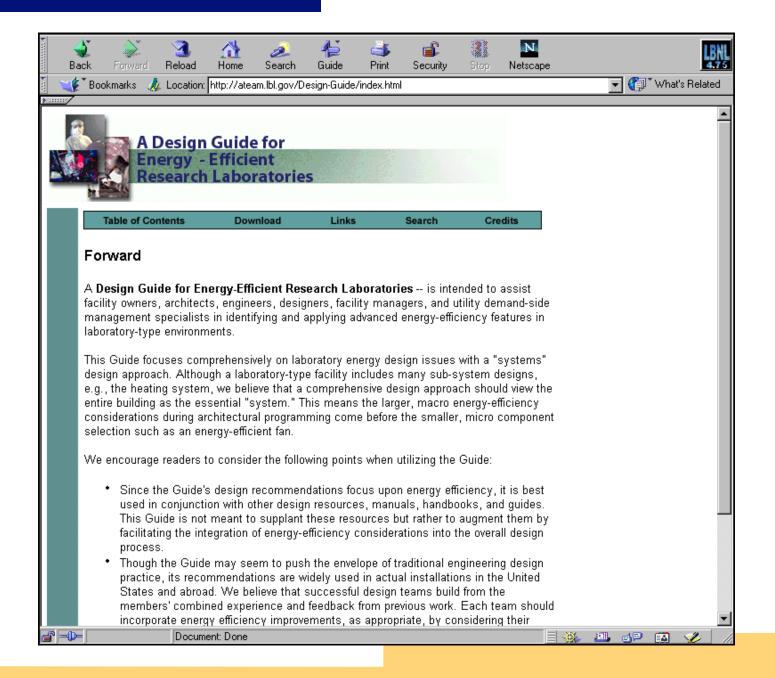
# **Next Steps**

- Scale up size
- Increase number of demonstrations
- Overcome institutional barriers
- Side-by-side testing

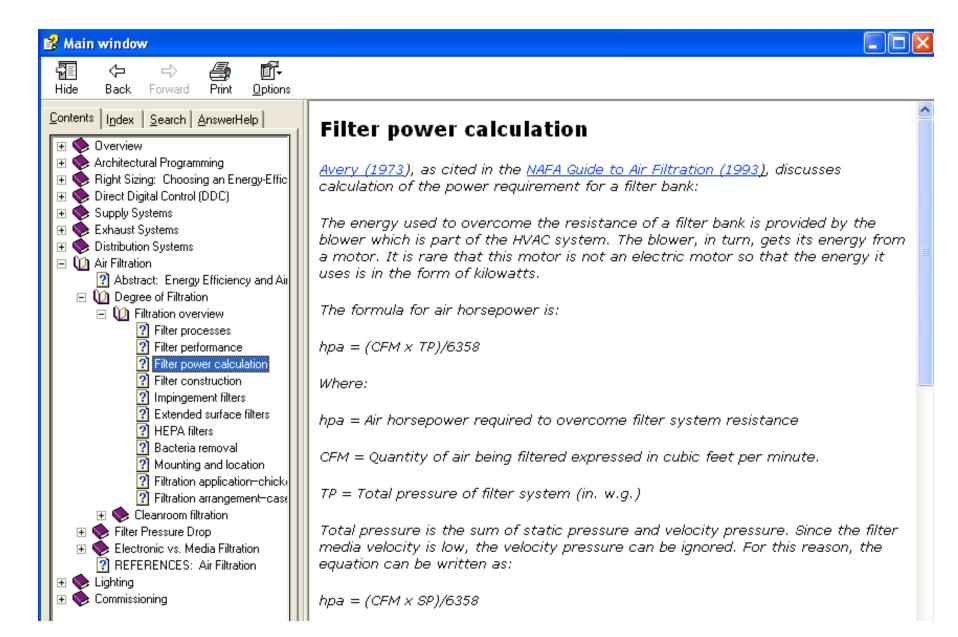
#### Laboratories for the 21st Century Design Tool Kit

- An Internet-accessible compendium containing the following tools:
  - Guides to energy efficient laboratory design.
  - Design intent tool.
  - (Future) national database with performance metrics for laboratory energy use.
  - Case studies.
  - Links to other related Web sites





# Lab Design Guide - Reference Manual



#### **Labs21 Tool Kit Status**

• Design Guide and other tools available on web

# Labs 21 ready to partner with States

- Training
  - Introductory workshop (existing)
  - Advanced hands on tool training
- Tool enhancement and development
- Demonstrations

# **Overcoming Institutional Barriers**

- Energy is a controllable cost
- First cost bias
  - ...Buildings outlive process
- Outdated rules of thumb and common beliefs
- Codes and Standards
  - ...e.g. face velocity does not equal safety

# **Summary**

# Hi-Tech Industries are important

...growing economic driver in most (all?) states

# Cleanrooms/Laboratories are energy intensive

...huge energy savings opportunities

An integrated R&D and MT approach is ideal

